

Dear Parent or guardian,

Re: School Uniform Policy

It is very important that all students follow the schools uniform policy. It helps all of the students to look smart, united and gives the students a sense of belonging and pride in their school.

Studies have also shown that attitudes to learning improve when students are in uniform, and as a result grades can improve. It is therefore imperative for all students to be wearing the correct uniform at Al Basma School.

All students Gr 6 to 12 are required by MOE to wear a white lab coat for science. This is a new requirement and as a result a white lab coat is now a mandatory uniform requirement for children in G6 to 10 and for students studying science in G11 or 12.

Please note Houses will be a growing feature of Al Basma school life it is therefore very important that children wear the correct house t-shirt for PE to build their sense of belonging and pride in their house. The uniform store has a list of houses for all children, they will not sell the house t-shirt without checking it is correct. Siblings should be in the same house. Admissions will contact Pre KG, KG1 and new students with their house. If you are unsure which house your child is assigned to or if your children are in different houses please contact najuva@albasmaschool.ae

The schools uniform policy states that Pre KG to G10 boys must wear:

- Sensible black school shoes
- Al Basma school uniform trousers or shorts (should not be above the knee) for boys
- Al Basma school uniform polo shirt or white collared shirt (tie is optional)
- White or black socks for boys
- Al Basma school uniform fleece or blazer or a plain navy blue hooded jacket (optional)
- Plain navy blue jumper or cardigan (optional)
- Al Basma school blazer (optional for formal occasions and photographs)

No football boots, sandals or brightly coloured trainers or track pants or joggers for every day uniform.

For Physical Education boys must wear:

- House t shirts, new style (Al Nahyan: Red, Al Maktoum: Blue, Al Qasimi: Green, Al Sharqi: Orange)
- Al Basma school uniform track pants or knee length navy blue shorts or plain navy blue joggers
- Sports Trainers – no football boots – football blades with teachers permission for astro turf
- For swimming, loose plain navy blue swimming shorts which come between mid-thigh and the knee are required and a swimming cap and goggles. The shorts should not have pockets.

The schools uniform policy states that Pre KG to G10 girls must wear:

- Sensible black school shoes
- Al Basma school uniform culottes or ankle length skirt
- Al Basma school uniform polo shirt or white collared shirt (tie is optional)
- White short or knee length socks or white or black tights
- Al Basma school uniform fleece or blazer or a plain navy blue hooded jacket (optional)
- Plain navy blue jumper or cardigan (optional)
- Al Basma school blazer (optional for formal occasions and photographs)

No brightly coloured trainers, flip flops, sandals. No Leggings, jeans, track pants or joggers as part of every day uniform.

For Physical Education girls must wear:

- House t shirts, new style (Al Nahyan: Red, Al Maktoum: Blue, Al Qasimi: Green, Al Sharqi: Orange)
- Al Basma school uniform track pants or loose knee length navy blue shorts
- Sports Trainers
- For swimming, a plain one piece navy blue costume which comes between mid-thigh and the knee is required and a swimming cap and goggles.

Male and female students choosing to wear undergarments to cover arms and legs for cultural reasons must wear white long sleeved tops and white or black leggings or tights.

If the culottes are above the knee girls must wear white or black leggings to the knee beneath the skirt.

The School uniform policy will be updated to state that Grade 11 and 12 students must wear:

- Sensible black school shoes
- Al Basma G11 and 12 girls or boys open neck tailored short sleeved white shirt with logo
- Plain black long pants for boys or girls or skirt below the knee
- Plain black long sleeve cardigan, v neck jumper or jacket

Items that are not allowed:

- Football boots
- Items of clothing which are not plain black or are not in the style of the Al Basma uniform
- No jeans or leggings
- No revealing or tight fitting items of clothing

Please review the school uniform policy if you have any queries, it can be found on the school website: <http://albasmaschool.ae/pages/policies/policies>

All students from G5 and up must wear school uniform into school and then change into their PE uniform at the start of their PE lesson and back into school uniform afterwards. Unless with permission of the teacher if their PE lesson is first or last period.

Students up to G4 can attend school in their PE uniform but should bring a clean uniform tshirt to change into afterwards if they are hot.

Failure to comply with the school uniform policy will result in sanctions for the students, which could include: loss of golden time, a warning letter home to parents, and potentially a school report card.

Kindest Regards

Ms Allison